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## United States Patent Application

## COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that

I verily believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CREATING A DATABASE TABLE INDEX USING MULTIPLE PROCESSORS, the specification of which I have reviewed and for which I solicit a United States patent is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on the basis of which priority is claimed:

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120/365 of any United States and PCT international application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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